GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6299
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SPEED GOVERNORS
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that commercial vehicles such as `blue line buses`/DTC buses` plying in Delhi are not fitted with speed governors despite the Supreme Court and the Delhi High Court directions to this effect;

(b) if so, the facts thereof;

(c) whether the number of road fatalities have increased due to over-speeding and haphazard driving;

(d) if so, the concrete measures taken or proposed to be taken by the Delhi Police to rein in the blue line buses/DTC buses in Delhi and to enforce speed Governors in them;

(e) whether speed governors wherever fitted either in blue lines/DTC buses or auto rickshaws are not tamper proof as reported in the Hindustan Time dated 21, February 2003;

(f) if so, the facts of the matter; and

(g) the steps proposed to be taken in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSO PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI HARIN PATHAK)

(a)&(b): As there is only one company authorized to install electronic speed governors in commercial vehicles, all such vehicles including those of Delhi Transport Corporation and `blue line` buses have not so far been fitted with this facility.

(c): The number of fatal road accidents in Delhi registered a progressive decrease over the last three years.

(d): All transport vehicles violating the directions given by the Hon`ble Supreme Court of India and Hon`ble High Court of Delhi are regularly prosecuted by Delhi Traffic Police.

(e)to(g): As per the report furnished by Delhi Transport Corporation, the speed governors installed in its vehicles are not tamper-proof. The Corporation has taken up the matter with the manufacturers of the speed governors and also apprised the Hon`ble High Court of Delhi of the position.